

City of McCallsburg

The City Council of McCallsburg met on Monday March 1, 2010 at 7 pm, in the McCallsburg City Hall for the regular monthly meeting. Mayor Loney called the meeting to order. Councilpersons Scott Anderson, David Muth, Robin Pruisner and Jeff Wells were present. Councilman Bill Lytle arrived at 7:27pm. There were also six residents, City Attorney Robert Huffer, Blaine Tibben from Alliant Energy, Perry Gjersvik from Bartlett & West, Randy Mortvedt from the Sheriff's Department, Richard Thompson, Debra Thompson and the Thompson's lawyer Richard Parker in attendance.

Councilperson Pruisner made a motion to approve the agenda, the minutes from the February 1st meeting and the financial reports. Anderson seconded the motion. All ayes with Lytle absent, motion passed.

Revenue for February 2010

General Income - \$3,137.00
Water Utility Income - \$3,294.65
Sewer Utility Income - \$2,310.07
Solid Waste Revenue - \$2,163.31
Sales Tax and Late Fees - \$279.19
Road Use Fund - \$2,020.31
TIF Revenue - \$747.48
Total Income: \$13,952.01

Claims Paid for February 2010

Alliant Energy-Utilities-\$909.20
Central IA Water-Water-\$1,512.00
City of Zearing – pumps-\$5,000.00
Colo-Nesco School – gasoline-\$647.22
IA Association of Municipal Utilities- dues- \$355.02
IDOT – street light repair- \$162.14
IA Telecom-phone & internet-\$98.93
Jacobson Enterprises – water/sewer-\$527.88
Keith Anderson – snow removal - \$2,392.00
McCallsburg Fire Dept. – stipend- \$341.00
Nevada Journal-Publishing-\$17.89
Payroll-salary & taxes-\$1,918.80
Ryerson's –tractor repair- \$400.90
Scott Sales Co. – rent - \$250.00
Simmering & Cory – grant writing- \$500.00
State Bank & Trust-debt payments-\$4,313.06
The Ames Tribune – publishing- \$98.04
The Bookkeepers-accounting-\$50.00
The Trash Man-garbage-\$1,825.45
Treasurer State of Iowa –sales tax - \$167.00
Total Expenses: \$21,486.53

Mayor Loney informed all present that the Resource Recovery Free Day would be April 24th. The Mayor also informed the council that Con-Struct was ready to demolish the stucco building.

The clerk informed the council that the last payment on the loan for the Owen D. Fincham sub-division was paid last week. The clerk also reminded everyone that the census forms would be coming out soon and asked that all residents please fill out their forms and turn them back in.

Perry Gjersvik updated the council on the sewer project and told the council that they should hear this month about the CDBG grant.

Blaine Tibben from Alliant Energy informed the council that Alliant would be working at 650th North for pole maintenance. Tibben also mentioned that in 2011 the McCallsburg sub station would also cover Garden City and some work will need to be done closer to that time.

Mayor Loney informed the council that it is likely be mid- march before the asbestos removal would be done.

Councilman Anderson made a motion to waive the second and third reading of Ordinance 163 which updates the sewer rates. Muth seconded the motion. All ayes with Lytle absent. Motion passed. Pruisner made a motion to accept Ordinance 163. Wells seconded the motion. All ayes with Lytle absent. Motion passed.

Wells made a motion to approve Resolution #10-06 setting March 12, 2010 at 7pm as the date for the Budget Hearing for fiscal year 2010 -2011. Muth seconded the motion. All ayes with Lytle absent, motion passed.

At 7:29 pm Mayor Loney opened the Nuisance Hearing on Parcels 30, 80 & 160. City Attorney Huffer informed all present that the city was continuing the nuisance hearing at the request of the city council. Huffer

asked Parker if he cared to make a presentation. Mr. Parker presented a letter to the council with their requests and read it aloud to the chamber. Anderson stated that the council was concerned about the striped shed being restored. Anderson also stated that the council has considered offering Richard Thompson a Triple Net Lease on the building after the city has secured the building and made proper repairs. The council would only allow collector vehicles to be stored and not salvage. Thompson would be in charge of maintenance, yearly proof of insurance, paying property taxes and in return the city would offer a reasonable lease rate. Parker stated that the Thompsons would be willing to review a lease that the city offered in writing. Pruisner stated that out of all the wreckers and trailers stored at the corner of 4th and Main only one has recent tags. Pruisner also stated that if Mr. Thompson chooses to store vehicles in the striped shed then there would be no reason why there wouldn't be room inside the salvage yard for the trailers. Huffer said he was concerned about salvage being stored in the striped shed which would be against city ordinance. Parker stated that because of the weather Mr. Thompson was unable to have a crusher come and remove items which would free up space. Pruisner suggested that the council might choose a deadline date once the weather clears for having all vehicles behind the salvage fence. Anderson asked Ms. Thompson if she had any plans about the trailers. Ms. Thompson said she did not. Anderson stated that it might be possible to trade the cost of the trailers for lease payments. Parker stated that indeed the wreckers were unlicensed and do need to be removed once the weather clears. Mayor Loney addressed the chamber and asked if any present had any comments to make. No comments were made. Anderson informed the Thompsons and Parker that the council would be in touch and thanked them for their time.

Mayor Loney opened the public hearing on the sewer revenue loan and disbursement agreement. No public comment was given. Lytle made a motion to approve Resolution #10-07 stating the council agrees to the terms of the SRF loan and to disburse the money for planning and design on the sewer/ lagoon project. Muth seconded the motion. On roll call voting aye: Anderson, Lytle, Muth, Pruisner and Wells, motion passed.

Mayor Loney informed the council that Qwest has made a complaint about access to their buildings north of the lagoons. The access road has been blocked by semi trailers that have been parked there under council approval. The clerk was instructed to make flyers for the semis asking the drivers to be sure to leave access to the frontage road open.

The clerk was instructed to speak with Darren Moon, County Supervisor, about wording for returning E-18 & S-27 back to the county.

Mayor Loney informed the council that Midwest Recovery would be willing to do a clean up day September 7th or 8th or any Monday or Tuesday in June. After discussion the council asked the mayor to reserve June 7th for McCallsburg if possible.

The next regular council meeting will be held Monday April 5th, 2010 at 7 p.m. at City Hall. Councilman Lytle made a motion to adjourn. Muth seconded the motion. All ayes, motion passed.

Minutes are not official until approved by council.

Attest: Sonia Dodd, City Clerk